

AMHERST REGRETS DEATH OF BANKER

JUNCTION CITY MAN WELL KNOWN IN COUNTY—AMHERST PEOPLE HAVE HOLIDAY GUESTS

Amherst, Wis., Dec. 23.—The report of the passing away of Henry J. Grashorn of Junction City, at Milwaukee last Wednesday, was received with regret by the numerous friends that Mr. Grashorn had made here in the village during the frequent visits that he made here while his daughter and her husband were residents of our town several years ago. The funeral which was held at Stevens Point on Monday, was attended by several Amherst people, who number Mr. Grashorn as one of their most highly respected and esteemed acquaintances.

Local and Personal

Miss Olga Murat, who teaches at Rugby, N. D., is spending her Christmas vacation at the M. S. Murat home.

Mrs. E. T. Johnson left Friday for Chicago, where she will be the guest of her son, Gordon, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Adams of Fond du Lac visited at the F. O. Adams home Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rasmussen of near Blaine were Christmas guests at the A. L. Rounds home.

Miss Fannie Couch came up from Fond du Lac to visit her mother, Mrs. Annie Couch, through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Peterson are spending their Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Webster at Dorchester.

Edgar Starks has been ill and confined to his home the past two weeks.

Miss Ethel Starks of Chisholm, Minn., arrived here the last of the week for her holiday vacation.

Jas. J. Nelson was a guest of his son, Geo. B. Nelson and family of Stevens Point through the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. John Webster, who has spent several weeks with her son, James Berto, west of town, has gone to Fond du Lac, where she will make an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. F. Procnow.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hanson and children are visiting with relatives in Iowa, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Smith are making a short visit with their son, D. D. Smith, and family at Fond du Lac.

Mrs. Mina Posey, who arrived here from California a week ago, has been suffering a severe attack of quinsy at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. L. Rounds, the past week. She is reported to be improving and well on the way to complete recovery.

Knute Roe, a former Amherst resident, but now of Staples, Minn., visited his brother, Ole Roe of Nelsonville, and Louis Williams of the village, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Lea of Waupaca were Christmas guests of Editor and Mrs. J. L. Moberg.

J. W. Beidleman is enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. Beidleman of North Milwaukee.

Chris E. Moe is a guest of his family through the holidays.

Mrs. O. K. Heath arrived home Thursday from Rochester, Minn., where she has spent several weeks under medical treatment. She will return to Rochester in four weeks for further treatment, but reports that her general health has improved wonderfully during her stay at the hospital.

Mrs. Perry W. Worden has as her guest through the holidays, her father, John Durkee of Moose Lake, N. D.

Miss Pearl Wilson, teacher in the city schools of Rhineclaire, is home for her vacation, and Miss Dorothy Smith who is a teacher in the Watertown schools is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith, west of town.

Frank Phillips of Appleton is a guest of his mother, Mrs. M. H. Phillips, and of other relatives.

David Morgan, who is employed by the Nas. Motor company of Kenosha, is spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morgan.

William Bevers visited at his home in Appleton over Sunday.

S. L. Treff, principal of the city schools at Beach, N. D., is visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Treff, in the village.

Mrs. J. R. Olson of Oshkosh has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. Alf Rudig, south of town, the past week.

C. W. Olson and Alfred Johnson have installed electric lights in their homes the past week.

CITY IN MINNESOTA

MAY CHANGE ITS NAME

A special election to vote on changing the name of Grand Rapids, Minnesota to "Minnesota Rapids" will be held in that village January 25. Signers to a petition assert that the confusion of the name with "Grand Rapids" in other states is becoming a serious handicap in the handling of mails and merchandise by the various industries in the village.

SOO SERVICE EXPANDS

The Park Falls Herald contains the following:

"On account of the rapidly increasing freight traffic the Soo line is obliged to put on another switch crew in the local yards and add another car clerk to the depot staff."

HOLD HOLIDAY SERVICE

MANY PRESENT AT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM GIVEN AT MEEHAN CHURCH

Meehan, Wis., Dec. 28.—A short Christmas program was rendered in our Sunday school Sunday morning, December 19. About 50 of the 70 enrolled were present. A beautiful Christmas lesson was enjoyed, after which all were presented with a sack of candy and nuts. Those not present were remembered also, as the committee sent them a gift. The Christmas spirit prevailed and all were happy. A beautiful tree was set up in the church.

School Is Closed

School closed Friday for a week's vacation between Christmas and New Year's.

Sleighs Now in Use

Teams are hauling in pulp wood on sleighs since the snow storm Tuesday and Wednesday.

Local and Personal

J. C. Galloway of Port Edwards was a business caller here last week. He formerly lived here but now has a good position in the mill down there.

Miss Maule is spending a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clair Galloway, at Wisconsin Rapids.

Ed Parks and Bert G. Fox have been on the sick list for a few days but are now recovering.

ESCAPES FROM SHERIFF

PRISONER LEAPS RAILING FOR FREEDOM AT WOOD COUNTY JAIL

Leaping from the railing a second before he was to enter the Wood county jail at Wisconsin Rapids, Leon Knudson, age 19, landed on the ground 12 feet below and made a getaway, flourishing an automatic revolver. Knudson was just about to be taken in jail by Sheriff Bluet, who had arrested him at Sturgeon Bay on a charge of robbing a store at Nekeosa. The man had been traced by bloodhounds following the robbery, but escaped the officers at that time. The search for the young man has again been taken up, but he has not yet been apprehended. He is charged with having stolen merchandise valued at \$200 from the Abel-Mullen store at Nekeosa.

RUNS NEEDLE IN ARM

WAND OF LOCAL WOMAN IS TEMPORARILY PARALYZED FOLLOWING ACCIDENT

Mrs. E. H. Rothman was injured in an accident at her home on Friday afternoon when she ran the head of a needle into her right arm half way between the wrist and elbow. The needle, which had been pinned on her waist broke off after entering the flesh, temporarily paralyzing her hand. An X-ray was performed and the piece of steel removed, after which Mrs. Rothman regained the use of her arm and hand. The needle had protruded into her arm to a depth of three-quarters of an inch.

STEVENS POINT MARKETS

Selling Prices

Flour: Gold Crown, per bbl 10.75
Rosebud, per bbl 9.95
Rye, per bbl 9.30
Rye, middlings, per cwt 1.55
Shelled corn, per cwt 1.15
Cornmeal, per cwt 1.40
Egg, standard, per cwt 1.70
Buckwheat flour, per bbl 12.00

Buying Prices

Potatoes, No. 1, per cwt 75-80
Oats, per bu. 50
Wheat No. 1, per bu. 1.25-1.50
Buckwheat grain, per cwt 2.50
Rye grain, per bu. 1.25
Dressed beef, per cwt 10.00-15.00
Live beef, per cwt 4.00-7.00
Dressed hogs, per cwt 10.00-12.00
Live hogs, per cwt 7.00-9.00
Eggs, per doz. 65-75
Live chicken, per lb. 15-25
Dressed chicken, per lb. 25-30
Live turkey 30-35
Dressed turkey 45-50
Live geese 15-22
Dressed geese 25-30
Dressed ducks 30-35
Live ducks 20-25
Hav. Jame 25.00
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REPORT OF GIRL'S DEATH IS DENIED BY RELATIVES

Reports were circulated about the city today stating that Miss Mary Martini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martini of Milwaukee, had passed away as a result of injuries she received in a fall a few weeks ago. These reports are denied by local relatives of the family, who received no word to the effect that the young lady's condition was even critical.

SCHOFIELD YOUNG MAN PLACED UNDER ARREST

Gustav W. Holt of Schofield has been placed under arrest and taken to Wausau in connection with the recent robberies at Schofield, where the post office was entered on three occasions. The sum of \$55 and several money order blanks were taken in all. Holt is reported to have made a confession.

Five Minute Chats on Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN

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CHESTER A. ARTHUR

1830—Oct. 5, Chester Alan Arthur, born at Fairfield, Vermont.
1848—Graduated at Union College, Schenectady.
1861-2—Quartermaster General of New York State.
1871-8—Collector of the Port of New York—Removed by Hayes.
1880—November, elected Vice President.
1881—Sept. 19, Took the oath as 21st President, aged fifty.

THE public anxiety for Garfield through his long battle with death was deepened by a general dread of the vice president's succeeding to the presidency. The people as a whole knew nothing of Chester Alan Arthur, except that he had been only lately removed from the collectorship of the port of New York as a machine politician, and that he had been nominated for the vice presidency as a henchman of Roscoe Conkling.

After Arthur had been sitting in the vice president's chair only a little more than two weeks, he opened a big White House envelope one day and flushed as he glanced at the unexpected contents—the nomination of a hated "Half-Breed" to the collectorship of the port of New York. With an excited gesture, he summoned Senators Conkling and Platt, and the three "Stalwarts" flamed up with rage at the challenge to them from the new administration. When the New York senators resigned their seats and appealed to the legislature of their state to re-elect them as a protest against the administration, the spectacle of the vice president descending to that

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SIBERIA FACES HARD WINTER

Famine and Death Expected to Take Their Toll of the Miserable Population.

ANTI-SOVIET FORCES LOSE

Half Dozen Governments Set Up in as Many Areas—35,000 Japanese Remain in Country Near Vladivostok.

Tokyo.—All the news that filters down from Siberia, through the various propaganda bureaus and from independent correspondents, indicates that things in that section of the world are rapidly going from bad to worse, with the prospect that this winter will find war and misery as widespread as during last winter, with death and famine taking toll of the miserable population now crowded into the various centers along what is left of the Trans Siberian railroad.

The drift everywhere, from the Pacific to Lake Baikal, is plainly in the direction of sovietism, with a large part of the country openly following the instructions received from Moscow. The anti-Bolshevik forces are being exterminated, forced across the Mongolian and Manchurian borders or herded into corners where they must fight like cornered rats.

The Japanese still have about 35,000 men in Siberia, including 3,000 occupying northern Zakhafien. The great majority of these are in and around Vladivostok, having withdrawn from all interior points. The last important place evacuated was Khabarovsk, into which the Partisans marched on the heels of the Japanese what was left of the bourgeoisie fleeing before them.

Roughly speaking, there are today six separate governments functioning between the Pacific and Lake Baikal, west of which Moscow has a shaky hold.

No Organized Government.

The Vladivostok government—at the time of writing, a semi-communistic organization from which the Social Democrats and Cadets have recently separated—is headed by President Medvedoff. This controls that comparatively thickly populated section of the Maritime province between the Pacific and the Manchurian border from Vladivostok north to a point a short distance south of Khabarovsk.

The rest of the Maritime province and the eastern section of the Amur province (about 200 miles wide) is controlled by the Partisans without any organized government and with no particular ascertainable aims except that of plunder, murder and rapine. The de facto head of the Partisans just now is Frozontoff, if sheer anarchy can be said to have a head.

The Blagovieschensk government controls the rest of the Amur, roughly Skebeltsina to Shilka marking the eastern and western limits of the territory controlled. This government is openly soviet, acknowledging Moscow as supreme and accepting the orders of Lenin and Trotsky. The president of this section is Trillisser.

Best Army in Siberia.

West of this is the so-called Nerchinsk government, in reality a branch of the Blagovieschensk administration. From Nerchinsk recently marched the best drilled and best equipped army in Siberia, a force of fighters whipped into shape by regular staff officers sent from Moscow some four months ago.

Led by tanks and escorted by airplanes, this force descended upon Chita about two weeks ago, driving Ataman Semenov from his erstwhile capital and leading him and the remnants of Kappell's army back along the Chinese Eastern railway to the Manchurian line.

Kappell's army is what is left of the force raised by General Kappell from among the hardy artisans, mechanics and factory workers of the Ural when the Bolsheviks first began their campaign of atrocities. These men fought alongside the Czechs against the Reds until their gallant leader met death by freezing. Since then they have stayed together under one general after another, their latest commander, Verzhbitsky, being killed in the retreat from Chita.

This force is bitterly anti-Bolshevik and is associating with the troops of Ataman Semenov only through want of better company. A great suspicion is entertained of Semenov, somewhat allayed at the time when the Ataman telegraphed his acknowledgment of the supremacy of General Wrangel.

West of the Nerchinsk territory comes the Verkhne-Udinsk government, controlling the district between the Yablonoi mountains and Lake Baikal. To all intents and purposes this is a branch of Moscow, but less openly so than the Nerchinsk crowd, and is claiming a paramount place in the formation of the Far Eastern republic, the buffer state which Japan desires to see created, but which appears to be as far off as ever. The Verkhne-Udinsk president is Tolensov, alias Krasnoschekeff.

Headed for Mongolia.

It is from this section that Baron Ungern, an independent leader, is heading an invasion of Mongolia, his force now being somewhere near Urga and clashing with a Chinese

army dispatched with a rush to defend the Mongolian capital. Ungern had led his men against Verkhne-Udinsk (the name of the capital city as well as of the republic) in the hope of capturing it and of establishing a new center of anti-Bolshevism, but was defeated and driven south. It is not positively known as yet whether his drive against Urga is a real attempt to capture it for the purpose of establishing an independent Mongolia, in co-operation with Semenov, or whether he merely feels that he must have some place in which to winter and obtain supplies. Semenov has a force estimated at 15,000 men, while the Kappell army now with him was 30,000 before the Chita defeat.

West of Lake Baikal is soviet territory with Moscow's control undisputed by any regular organization. A number of counter-revolutions have been reported from that section, however. All the news is fragmentary and unconfirmed, but it is believed that the Irkutsk region is fairly quiet, while farther west and south peasant revolts are reported from Krasnoyarsk, Tomsk and Novo-Nikolaevsk and others from Semipalatinsk, Barnaul and Blisk.

Japanese Military Missions

The Japanese have military missions still at Verkhne-Udinsk, under Colonel Isome; at Chita and Blagovieschensk while General Of is a general command of the Japanese in Siberia, with headquarters at Vladivostok.

The activities of the Nerchinsk government in seizing Chita may furnish an excuse for further Japanese activities in interior Siberia, the terms of the recent armistice between the Russian factions and the Japanese being that there should be no soviet activities east of Lake Baikal.

Public opinion in Japan, however, is decidedly against any further Siberian adventure.

Reports come from China that there is a belief in Peking and in Mongolia itself that the Japanese are behind the Ungern invasion of that province, but there is nothing in the attitude of the authorities here nor in press comments on the attack upon Urga to substantiate any such belief.

Reds Use War Tricks to Get Literature to U. S.

Amsterdam.—Bolshevik propaganda experts, anxious to avoid discovery of the propaganda matter they are taking to America, are said to have resorted to the old war-time dodge of having their printed matter done in microscopic form, capable of being enlarged photographically.

One man, caught in central Europe, had in his possession a number of queer-looking postage stamps, upon which were printed soviet propaganda matter. The authorities were able to enlarge this to ordinary size.

The propaganda university, which has been established at Moscow, is reported to be now devoting extraordinary care to literature intended for two particular classes—women and farmers.

REDS FAIL TO COLLECT GRAIN

Europe Cannot Expect Cereals or Flax, Says Anti-Bolshevik Committee.

London.—Hope that Europe may obtain any cereals or flax from soviet Russia is entirely unfounded, says a circular from the Russian Liberation committee in London, an anti-Bolshevik organization.

The circular recalls that, according to the food commissariat's plans, roughly 7,250,000 tons of foodstuffs were to be delivered to the soviet government by December 1, but owing to the breakdown of transportation, the Siberian quota of 2,000,000 tons can only be brought in with the greatest difficulty, while the Caucasian estimated output of 1,750,000 tons cannot be relied upon owing to the military operations in that region.

As regards flax, the circular again quotes Bolshevik figures showing that the area sown in 1929 had shrunk to one-fifth of the pre-war area.

OLD MOONSHINER IN AGAIN

"Wild Bill" Has Spent Nearly Third of His Life in the Penitentiary.

Macon, Ga.—Charley Williams, better known as "Wild Bill," who has served practically 15 years of his life in the penitentiary for making moonshine whisky, and who only finished his last sentence two months ago, has again been arrested for playing his old trade. He was caught with a 1,100-gallon still in full operation in a thick, wooded swamp in Jasper county.

"Wild Bill" Williams is fifty years of age, and officials of the United States court say, as far back as they can remember, he has been arraigned regularly every year or two. He is the head of a large family.

Authors Form Union.

Berlin.—The Alliance for the Protection of the Interests of German Authors decided at its latest convention to reorganize along the lines of labor unions in order to protect the interests of authors. Royalties have not kept pace with the rapid increase in cost of living, even widely known writers earning less than a skilled mechanic.



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